RESOLUTION NO. 2015-R-85

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RESOLUTION# RR-738-15 AUTHORIZING A FEASIBILITY STUDY TO EXAMINE THE BENEFITS OF ISSUING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY IDENTIFICATION CARDS TO COUNTY RESIDENTS AND TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A COUNTY IDENTIFICATION CARD PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, eleven (11) cities and counties in the United States, including New York City, Los Angeles, Oakland, San Francisco, Newark, Washington, D.C. and Mercer County, New Jersey are issuing county and municipal identification cards ("ID Cards") to assist residents in accessing various services within their communities; and

WHEREAS, municipal ID cards eliminate barriers, where without the proper form of identification, a resident would not be able to open a bank account, cash a check, register their child for school, or access county and municipal services; and

WHEREAS, there are many City of North Miami residents who do not have access to various forms of identification such as driver's license, voter's registration card, passport, lease, mortgage deed, etc. and may have difficulty proving their residency status; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners passed Resolution number Rr-738-15 which authorizes a feasibility study to examine the benefits of issuing identification cards to Miami-Dade County residents, which would display the card holder's photograph, name, date of birth, address and card issue and expiration dates; and

WHEREAS, as a community, which includes a large population of immigrants, youth, returning citizens, and residents who would benefit from a County ID Card program, the City of North Miami supports the legislation passed by Miami-Dade County and would welcome the implementation of a county identification card program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. **Support of Resolution# Rr-738-15 passed by the Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby support Miami-Dade County Resolution# Rr-738-15 authorizing a feasibility study to examine the benefits of issuing identification cards to Miami-Dade County residents and to develop a plan for implementation of a county identification card program.

Section 2. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5 - 0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 8th day of September, 2015.

DR. SMITH JOSEPH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

ROLAND C. GALDOS, ESQ.
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN PHILLIPPE BIEN-AIME

Moved by: Galvin

Seconded by: Desulme

Vote:

Mayor Smith Joseph, D.O., Pharm. D.	X (Yes)	(No)
Vice Mayor Carol Keys, Esq.	X (Yes)	(No)
Councilman Scott Galvin	X (Yes)	(No)
Councilman Alix Desulme	X (Yes)	(No)
Councilman Philippe Bien-Aime	X (Yes)	(No)